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INQUIRY LETTER

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Sir:

Inquiry is respectfully made as to the status of this patent application.

Applicants filed a Preliminary Amendment on January 8, 2002. Applicants faxed
a copy of the January 8, 2002 Preliminary Amendment on February 8, 2002. On April 30, 2002

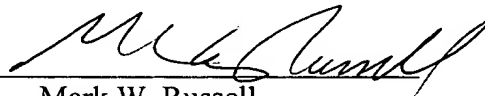
applicants faxed to Examiner Clardy pages 11, 13 and 14 of the filed January 8, 2002 Preliminary Amendment. On June 18, 2002 Mr. Clardy indicated that the Preliminary Amendment would be responsive to the outstanding Office Action (Paper No. 15). No action has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office.

Early and favorable examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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